

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JUL 19 2005

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

Date of Transmission: 19 July 2005

I hereby certify that the following correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the attention of the Director of the US Patent and Trademark Office on the above date via the following facsimile number: 703-872-9306.

Reply to Office Action dated 20 April 2005 (5 sheets)

Application Number 09/867,803
Confirmation No.: 6606
Filing Date: 31 May 2001
Document Submission Date: 19 July 2005
Docket: 1005-006

Art Unit: 2167
Examiner: Pham, Khanh B.
Inventor: Choi, Lawrence J.

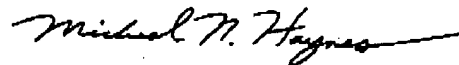
Pages: 6

19 Jul 2005

Date

Michael N. Haynes

Name of Certifier



Signature of Certifier

PATENT

Application # 09/867,803

Attorney Docket # 1005-006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

JUL 19 2005

Applicant(s) : Lawrence J. Choi et al.
Application # : 09/867,803
Confirmation # : 6606
Filed : 31 May 2001
Application Title : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CLUSTERING
OPTIMIZATION AND APPLICATIONS
Art Unit # : 2167
Latest Examiner : Khanh B. Pham

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed on 20 April 2005, the three month shortened statutory period for responding to which expires on 20 July 2005, the following remarks are respectfully submitted: